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TWO GYPSUM PLANTS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE -- Moscow, Promyshlennost' Stroitel'nykh Materialov, 9 Aug 52

During the first 6 months of 1952, the Yaroslavl' Gypsum Plant produced 4,200 tons of gypsum and 5,900 square meters of partitioning wall board above quota.

Moscow, Promyshlennost' Stroitel'nykh Materialov, 27 Sep 52

The Rostov Gypsum Plant fulfilled its quota for the first 9 months of 1952 ahead of schedule.

SLATE INDUSTRY OPERATES EFFICIENTLY IN 9-MONTH PERIOD -- Moscow, Promyshlennost' Stroitel'nykh Materialov, 1 Oct 52

More than half of the enterprises of Glavshifer (Main Administration of the Slate Industry) fulfilled their 9-month quotas ahead of schedule.

The Yashkino Slate Plant, which produced about 6 million units of slate during the period, was one of the first plants to finish ahead of schedule. The Georgian SSR Slate Plant, and the Kramatorsk, Bryansk, Kiev, and Novorossiysk plants produced more than 16 million units of roofing slate during the period.

GLASS INDUSTRY PRODUCES HOLLOW GLASS BLOCKS, HEAT-INSULATING BRICK -- Moscow, Moskovskiy Komsomolets, 13 Nov 52

The Skopin Glass Plant has started producing hollow glass blocks of highly decorative quality. The blocks will be used as a wall building material to give special lighting effect in picture galleries and exhibition halls.

Moscow, Promyshlennost' Stroitel'nykh Materialov, 5 Jul 52

The Irbit Glass Plant is producing heat-insulating brick for use in heating installations such as boilers, furnaces, etc. The plant has increased its output per shift from 41,500 to 51,300 units.

Moscow, Promyshlennost' Stroitel'nykh Materialov, 2 Jul 52

The "Proletariy" Glass Plant fulfilled its quota for the first 6 months of 1952 ahead of schedule.

NEW BRICK PLANT IN TAKHIA-TASH -- Moscow, Promyshlennost' Stroitel'nykh Materialov, 13 Sep 52

A new brick plant started operations recently in Takhia-Tash. The new plant is completely mechanized and will have an annual capacity of 10 million bricks.

BUILDERS COMPLAIN ABOUT BRICK FROM TWO PLANTS -- Moscow, Promyshlennost' Stroitel'nykh Materialov, 1 Nov 52

Builders at Kuytyshevgidrostroy (Administration for Construction of the Kuytyshev Hydroelectric Center) have pleaded with the Bezymyannaya and Batraki brick plants for better brick.

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A considerable quantity of the brick produced by these two plants has been crumbling and cannot be used. In fact, even the brick which is considered to be first grade has been found to have cracks, cavities, and broken edges.

KIROVSKAYA OBLAST PLANTS TO INCREASE OUTPUT BY 1955 -- Moscow, Izvestiya, 27 Sep 52

To satisfy the growing needs for construction materials in Kirovskaya Oblast, by 1955 the plants in the oblast must increase their output to the following: bricks, 230 to 240 million per year; alabaster, 60,000 tons; lime, 45,000 tons; quarry stone and limestone, 300,000 cubic meters; gravel, 100,000 cubic meters.

MOSCOW CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS ADMINISTRATION REORGANIZED -- Moscow, Promyshlennost' Stroitel'nykh Materialov, 19 Nov 52

To improve the supervision of enterprises supplying Moscow building projects with materials, the Administration of Construction Materials Industry of the Moscow Executive Committee has been reorganized.

Two separate administrations have been established: one for construction materials and one for construction products. The Administration of Construction Materials Industry will supervise the brick, ceramic, and other construction materials plants. The Administration of Construction Products Industry will supervise the reinforced-concrete products plants, the Krasnopresnensk Amalgamated Plant, and the nonmetallic ore quarries. Each administration will have its own designing bureau, scientific and research laboratory, and building and supply organization.

The previously existing "Mosgorkirpich" (Moscow Brick Industry) Trust and "Mosgorstroydetal'" (Moscow Construction Products Industry) Trust will be eliminated.

The Administration of Construction Materials Industry will be headed by V. I. Mal'tsev and Ye. L. Rokhvargher as chief and chief engineer, respectively. In the Administration of Construction Products Industry, N. K. Proskuryakov will be chief and S. Ya. Maksimov will be chief engineer.

LITHUANIAN SSR TO INCREASE CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS OUTPUT -- Moscow, Promyshlennost' Stroitel'nykh Materialov, 24 Sep 52

By reconstructing many of its old enterprises and building new plants, the Lithuanian SSR construction materials industry has made some advances during recent years. The republic now has its own supply of cement, gypsum, and glass. The output of other types of building materials has been increased considerably.

According to M. Gevilas, Chairman of the Council of Ministers Lithuanian SSR, in the Fifth Five-Year Plan the Ministry of Construction Materials Industry Lithuanian SSR must expand its output of brick by nearly 4 times, tile by 3.5 times, and lime by 4 times. Variety of products must also be expanded and the quality improved.

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